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### BONDING PROPOSITION

#### Situation in the Charlotte Harbor District Soon to be Voted on

Facts and figures relative to the bonding proposition for roads and bridges for the Charlotte Harbor district. The amount of the bonds to be issued \$60,000, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum and to be retired in a period of twenty-five years.

The present assessed valuation of property in the district to be bonded according to the Collector's certificate is: \$404,510.00. The highest rate assessable under the law is 20 mills or .02 cents on the dollar. If this rate should be levied on the values as they now stand the taxes collected for the purpose of this issue would amount to \$8,090.20 per annum. The amount of the annual interest to be paid on the bond issue at the rate of 6 per cent is \$3,600. Deducting this amount from \$8,090.20 there is remaining \$4,490.20 to go into a sinking fund for the retirement of the bond issue.

As the interest on the bond fund must be paid for the full time specified by the issue this sinking fund may be loaned to reliable banking institutions for not less than 5 per cent and probably for 6 per cent, and in this way the interest on the amount of the sinking fund created will offset an equivalent amount on the total bond issue.

If the sinking fund created annually is not loaned it will take 13 1-3 years to create a fund equal to the amount of the bond issue and to keep the interest paid on the total bond issue up to that time, but if the sinking fund is loaned each year as fast as it is created the total bond issue can be created before the 13 1-3 year period.

e. g. The interest on the first year sinking fund created would be \$4,490.20, which at 5 per cent would be \$224.51, and this amount added to the amount of the first sinking fund would make \$4,714.71. This amount added to the sinking fund for the second year would make the sinking fund at the end of the 2nd year \$9,204.91. Add to this amount the amount of the interest at 5 per cent, \$460.25 and you have \$9,665.16, which added to \$4,490.20 makes \$14,155.36, the amount of the sinking fund at the end of the 3rd year. 5 per cent on this amount \$707.78, which added to the principal would make \$14,863.13 and this amount added to the third year fund would make the sinking fund \$19,353.33 at the end of the 4th year. 5 per cent on this amount \$967.67 would make the total \$20,321, which added to \$4,490.20 would make \$24,811.20 the amount of the sinking fund at the end of the 5th year. 5 per cent on this amount \$1,240.56 makes a total of \$26,051.76 which added to \$4,490.20 makes \$30,541.96 the amount of the sinking fund at the end of the 6th year. 5 per cent on this amount \$1,527.10 makes a total of \$32,069.06 which added to \$4,490.20 makes \$36,559.26 the amount of the sinking fund at the end of the 7th year. 5 per cent on this amount \$1,827.96 added to the principal makes \$38,387.22 which added to \$4,490.20 makes \$42,877.42 the amount of the sinking fund at the end of the 8th year. 5 per cent of this amount \$2,143.87 added to the principal makes a total of \$45,021.29 which added to \$4,490.20 makes \$49,511.49 the amount of the sinking fund at the end of the 9th year. 5 per cent of this amount \$2,475.57 added to the principal makes \$51,987.06 which added to \$4,490.20 makes \$56,477.26 the amount of the sinking fund at the end of the 10th year. 5 per cent of this amount \$2,823.86 added to the principal makes

\$59,301.12. Add to this amount \$4,490.20 and you get a total of \$63,791.32 which amount is \$3,791.32 more than the amount required to retire the bonds at the end of the 11th year. The sinking fund at the end of the 11th year being the amount of the entire bond fund should be loaned at a rate sufficient to keep the interest on the bonds paid without any expense to the taxpayers during the remainder of the 25 year period.

According to these figures it is very clear that a ten-mill tax would retire this bond issue within the period proposed for the issue, provided of course that the annual sinking fund be promptly loaned at the rate of interest suggested. The foregoing figures are based on the present valuation of property in the proposed bond district which is indeed conservative for it is a well known fact that the assessed valuation of property in DeSoto county, and in the proposed district, has doubled in the past ten years none of which can be credited to improved highways. If assessed values increase in the next ten years in the same proportion a twenty mill rate for this issue would be only ten mills to the tax payer, and in like manner a ten mill rate would only mean 5 mills because the bond issue could be raised in half the time calculated above.—Contributed.

Arcadia, Fla., Dec. 4, 1913.

Mr. J. E. Bowdoin,  
Charlotte Harbor, Fla.,

Dear Sir:—

In reply to your inquiry asking for the assessment on the 1913 roll on the property in the district which you state you will call a special bond election for roads, will state that I find the total assessment for the description as given is the sum of four hundred and four thousand five hundred and ten dollars (\$404,510).

Yours very truly,

CYRIL BALDWIN,  
Tax Collector.

#### For Frost Bites and Chapped Hands

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#### IN COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE

##### STATE OF FLORIDA

##### IN RE ESTATE OF

J. L. MORGAN, Minor. DeSoto County.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that on the 30th day of April, A. D. 1914, I shall apply to the honorable W. D. Bell, judge of said court, as Judge of Probate for my final discharge as guardian of the person and estate of J. L. Morgan, minor heir of J. M. Morgan deceased; and that at the same time I will present my final accounts as guardian of said estate and ask for their approval.

MARTHA S. MORGAN,  
Guardian.

Dated Oct. 27th, A. D. 1913.

#### Success.

Success in most things depends on knowing how long it takes to succeed.—Montesquieu.

## GASPARILLA WAS PIRATE CHIEFTAIN

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Think of the legends that gather like mist over a bay head about the name and fame of Gasparilla!

Think of the possibilities for the bizarre and the unusual that the old pirate's history gives!

Think of the advertising value for South Florida there is in the name Gasparilla!

Who or what is Gasparilla? asks the stranger within our gates.

Is it a Pullman car or a breakfast food or a cigar or a race horse? they ask.

Listen, gentle stranger.

Gasparilla was a pirate, and it is his exploits and history that furnish the theme for the Carnival Tampa is to give on February 21 to 24.

Gasparilla was the name chosen for the pirate king and crew. The famous sea rover's name has been made more famous by the band of Tampanians and their celebration, and now, with all Florida joining in the celebration, and all the world contributing visitors, Gasparilla will become symbolic of the truly gallant cut-throat. Each year the members of the Gasparilla crew elect their king and queen, and the maids of honor, keeping secret their choice until the night of the coronation ball.

Then, amid the acclamation of their loyal subjects, pirates and honor guard, the king and queen are crowned, at the greatest social event of the year. Seven kings and queens have occupied the Gasparilla throne—ever since 1905, when that feature of the fete was hit upon by the Gasparilla crew.

On the shoulders of the captain and that of a number of the "old guard," "the inner circle," of Ye Mystic Krewe, the brunt of the work has fallen. Each year headquarters are opened and the plans for the pageant worked out to the minutest detail. Costumes are specially ordered—this year each pirate will have two—and a special floor built for the one ball at the Tampa Bay Casino.

At the outset of the plan the Gasparillas engaged in a tournament at the Tampa Bay track, the members of the crew, astride of trusty steeds, striving to outdo each other with lance and shield, as the knights of old. The pirate ship early became one of the permanent features of the Gasparilla coming, the pirates sailing up the harbor, landing in the city and taking possession of it and its fair maids.

#### Gasparilla a Gay Dog.

Gasparilla was one of the buccanniers who made the gulf a terror to honest seamen in the troubled days at the close of the eighteenth century and the beginning of the nineteenth. Spain's power was fast disintegrating. Great Britain, France, Spain and the United States each flew its flag over the shores washed by the gulf stream. It was No Man's Land and the might of the strong hand made right. On the shores of Louisiana and in

#### VENISON QUITE PLENTY

On Saturday of last week about every sixth man who travelled Marian avenue for a while was hurrying home with a chunk of venison. Early Weeks and Mr. McClelland had returned from a hunting trip which extended way down below Carlos where Weeks got two fine bucks and McClelland brought down one. Both of the hunters gratified their friends by their liberality on their return home.

#### TRUCK NEWS

Part of the rains early in the week were enjoyed by some of the truckers who were not able to appreciate the second downfall at all.

J. F. Githens shipped 30 crates English peas to New York.

Collins and Cooper shipped 17 crates cucumbers to Philadelphia and New York last week. They will be shipping beans about Feb. 10.

Pines are holding up especially well and shipments will continue the middle of February, most of them not going outside the State.

Tangerines have been helped by the rains and are going out chiefly to the eastern markets.

The Punta Gorda Pineapple Corporation, backed by Chicago capital, has started to put in three acres of pines under shed. The proposition is intended to be built up to 100 acres as soon as possible.

L. A. Hawkins is shipping fine cabbage and E. W. Smith peppers and egg plant. In some sections of Florida the egg plants are being killed off by disease, but the Smith patch is still very handsome.

Charlotte Harbor has been shipping some citrus stuff during the week.

A dry, hacking cough is hard on the lungs, often causing them to bleed. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP is a healing balm that quickly repairs damage in the lungs and air passages. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

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#### BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

The first meeting of the new year of the Board of Trade was held last Friday night at the rooms of the organization. The chief business was the announcement of a long list of Bureaus to which Dr. Stone has appointed every member. In announcing these committees, Dr. Stone has considered each man's adaptations and it is intended by this means to make sure every member has some share in the actual work of the Board instead of the heavy burdens falling on a few willing members. A list of these bureaus and the members of each was ordered printed for distribution to every member so that when any question arises it can easily be referred to the members having the subject in charge.

The committee having in charge the matter of drains and good roads will make extra effort to see that all steps are taken that will ensure no possible excuse on the part of the County Commissioners for delaying prompt action.

A statement was made for Captain Towles by Grove Cothran in regard to steamship transportation and the Board decided to request Captain Krumm to attend the Board of Trade meeting on his next trip and give the Board assurance that adequate freight and passenger service will be supplied soon.

#### FIRST MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the first meeting of the stockholders of the Punta Gorda Packing and Preserving Company will be held at the Board of Trade rooms in Punta Gorda, Fla., on Saturday, the 14th day of February, 1914, at 1 o'clock p. m. of said day. Among the matters of business to be transacted are, the acceptance of the charter, the adoption of a seal and the authorization of the board of directors to make calls for the payment of subscriptions. Any other proper matters pertaining to the corporation will be taken up and disposed of.

D. N. McQUEEN,  
Temporary president.

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#### TAX ASSESSOR'S ROUNDS

I will be at the following places on dates here given to take tax returns for the year 1913. You are required by law to see the Assessor and make such returns, and the creation of a State Tax Commission by the last legislature makes it more important to you personally to remember the date and come out. Surely you can come to your voting place, school house or the place in the neighborhood where such business is transacted.

Sweetwater, Monday, February 2nd.  
Creswell, Tuesday, February 3rd.  
Venus, Thursday, February 5th.

Palmdale at noon, Friday, February 6th.

Halt City, Saturday, February 7th.  
Citrus Center, Monday, February 9th.  
La Belle, Tuesday, February 10th.

Berment at noon, Wednesday, February 11th.

Clewiston at noon, Thursday, February 12th.

Fort Ogden, Friday and Saturday, February 13th and 14th.

Piatts, Monday, February 15th.  
Owens, Tuesday, February 16th.

Pine Level, Wednesday, February 18th.  
Oak Hill, Thursday, February 19th.

Brownville, Friday, February 20th.  
Gardner, Saturday, February 21st.

Murdoch, Monday, March 2nd.  
McCall, Tuesday, March 3rd.

Grove City, Wednesday, March 4th.  
Charlotte Harbor, Tuesday, Mar. 10th.

Punta Gorda, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 11th, 12th and 13th.

Nocatee, Saturday, March 15th.  
Wauchula, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 19th, 20th and 21st.

Arcadia, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th.

Fort Pierce, Altus, Moffitt, Old One and Bridge by special appointment.

Very respectfully,  
H. G. MURPHY, Tax Assessor.

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#### DOG TAX DUE

Notice is given that dog tax is now due, and all owners of dogs are required to make prompt payment.  
JAS. H. LIPSCOMB, Marshal.

#### TAX BOOKS OPEN

Notice is hereby given that the city tax books are open and taxes should be paid promptly. I can be found at my office at the city hall 8 to 12 a. m. daily.  
F. O. GAUTHER, Collector.

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR

##### LEAVE TO SELL MINORS' LAND

Notice is hereby given, that on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1914, I will apply to Honorable W. D. Bell, County Judge in and for DeSoto County, State of Florida, at his office in Arcadia, in said county for an order authorizing me, as Guardian of the persons and estate of Henry Morgan and Jesse Morgan, minors, to sell at private sale, the following property belonging to said minors, to-wit: Lots 24 and 25, Block 32 and lots 17, 19, 21 sub-division of lots 2 and N. 1/2 of lot 1 block 45, all in the town of Punta Gorda, Florida as per plat recorded in Arcadia in the public records of said DeSoto Co.

Said land to be sold for the best interest of said minors.

This 7th day of January, 1914.  
MARTHA S. MORGAN,  
Guardian.

t Feb. 13.

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